

## **NEWS RELEASE**

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United States Attorney Deborah R. Gilg and the Federal Bureau of Investigation and Omaha Police Department announce the following information for the attention of the media:

## **Event Triggering this Release:**

Danny Reaves, age 35 of Omaha, was sentenced for: 1) Obstructing Interstate Commerce by Robbery relating to the May 1, 2009, robbery of a Rochester Armored Car; 2) The Use and Discharge of a Firearm during the commission of the armored car robbery; and 3) Bank Robbery of Tier One Bank at 8820 Arbor Street on January 21, 2009. The Honorable Joseph F. Bataillon sentenced Reaves to a total of thirty years imprisonment. Reaves received a twenty-year sentence for each robbery to run concurrently. Reaves received a ten-year sentence for discharging a firearm to run consecutive to the robbery sentences. Reaves was further ordered to pay restitution in the sum of \$123,410.10. The restitution figure includes medical expenses and damages to both the bank and armored car. After his release from prison he will begin a five-year term of supervised release.

On May 1, 2009, a Rochester Armored truck was robbed as it was parked outside the Douglas County Treasurer's Office, 7414 North 30th Street. As the guard returned to the truck, he was tasered by two assailants. The taser was not completely effective. The guard unholstered his weapon and gunshots were exchanged between the guard and robbers. The guard suffered a gunshot wound to his leg but was sure that he struck at least one, if not both, of the robbers. The robbers grabbed 2 bags with approximately \$31,000 in cash from the ground. They fled the parking lot in a white van that was located later that evening near 66th and State Streets. The van had been set on fire.

Blood at the scene of the robbery was identified through DNA testing as that of Reaves. Reaves sought medical attention in East St. Louis, Illinois, on the evening of the robbery claiming that he had been shot in East St. Louis. He was treated for a "through and through" gunshot to his left wrist and a graze wound to his right arm.

On January 21, 2009, Reaves and another individual robbed the Tier One Bank at 8820 Arbor Street. A torch was used to cut a hole in the bank door a hour before the bank opened for business. After the teller arrived and deactivated the alarm, Reaves entered the bank through the

back door and approached the teller. He forced the teller to open the vault and obtained \$32,790 from the bank before it had opened for business.

Name of Defendant: Danny Reaves

AKA:

**Age: 35** 

City of residence: Omaha

Crime(s) Charged and Potential Penalty (A CHARGE is merely an accusation and every defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty): Obstructing Interstate Commerce by Robbery; Use of a Firearm During the Commission of the Robbery; Up to 20 years imprisonment, three years supervised release, up to \$250,000 fine and a \$100 special assessment on the Obstructing Interstate Commerce by Robbery and 10 years mandatory minimum - life, consecutive to all other sentences;5 years supervised release; up to \$250,000 fine, and a \$100 special assessment on the Use of a Firearm During the Commission of the Robbery.

Specific Location of Alleged Crime: Omaha, Nebraska

Location of Arrest: Omaha, Nebraska

Alleged Dollar Loss/Type and Quantity of Drug: \$63, 790.00

**Others Charged in Same Scheme:** 

## **Relevant Dates:**

Date of Alleged Crime: May 1, 2009

Federal Arrest Date: May 8, 2009

**Date Complaint Issued**: May 8, 2009

**Indictment Returned Date**: May 21, 2009

**Initial Appearance Date**: June 3, 2009

Plea or Trial and Date(s): Trial held November 17-23, 2009

Sentencing Date: July 23, 2010

## **Next Court Hearing Type and Date:** N/A

Assigned Magistrate Judge: The Honorable F.A. Gossett, III

Held without Bond, or Released from Custody: Held

In Continuous Custody Since: May 8, 2009

Assigned District Court Judge: The Honorable Joseph F. Bataillon

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